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**Respect Self, Respect Others, Respect property and Respect the Learning Environment.**

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It looks like winter has finally arrived with some very cold weather this week. Thank you again for sending your children bundled for the weather. We believe it is important for students to play outside whenever possible before school and during breaks. We usually use  $-12^{\circ}\text{C}$  as a guide for deciding on inside days depending on other factors such as sun and wind chill. Speaking of weather, we were fortunate with fine temperatures for all our winter recreation days so far this year and students were able to have a great time outdoors while improving their skills in Nordic skiing as well as skating at the rink. Again, a huge thank you to all our parent helpers as well as our Larch Hills ski guides and middle school skating helpers. We are watching the weather closely for our winter celebration fun day at Larch Hills this Friday. If we have to cancel due to cold, we will plan for a "regular" school day that day.



It has also been a busy time in the building with some great focused learning time. Report cards were sent out last week and show students making good progress this year. As well, we are getting ready for our talent show in March and our K-3 swimming lessons begin on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all teachers, staff, parents, students and community for making North Canoe a wonderful place to be, learn and grow.

## **Report Cards**

Formal report cards were sent home with students last week. Please return Report Cards and Envelopes signed once you have had a chance to look them over. Our next report will be interims in the week of April 15 – 18. As always, feel free to contact your child's teacher to discuss your child's progress at any time.

### North Canoe Goals for 2018-2019:

#### Goal Statement #1:

- To improve all student's attitude towards reading and ability to read with fluency and comprehension.

#### Goal Statement #2

- To create a school wide culture of healthy living.

# GOT TALENT

## North Canoe PAC Talent Show

Students will soon be practicing and preparing their talent and are excited for the show on March 14. Thank you to the parent volunteers who have volunteered helping students with their talent acts. The talent show is set to start at 6:00 pm with doors opening at 5:30 pm (students to arrive at 5:45 pm). This event will be entrance by donation.

## Family Literacy Week

Unplug and Play Family Literacy Week was last week. We hope you had a chance to enjoy some of the community activities and “unplug and play”. At the school, we celebrated literacy day with a DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) around the school. Unplug and Play passports are due Feb 7. If returned, they will be entered in the draw for prizes.

## Winter Rec Days

Our winter recreation program has now wrapped up. We had 21 students participate in the ski loppet last Friday. Thanks to all the parents who helped out with our ski days and the loppet. A big thanks to Karla for transporting the ski equipment. Kid’s skills in skating and skiing really improved over the 3 days!



## Winter Celebration Day this Friday

We are watching the weather closely for our winter celebration fun day at Larch Hills this Friday. If we have to cancel due to cold, we will plan for a “regular” school day that day. We will need a lot of parent volunteers and some drivers for this day as well. Thanks to any parents who can drive students and/or equipment up to the hill and or help with skiing or other activities.

## Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons start Feb 19 and go for 4 weeks. K-3 students participate and receive instruction from certified swimming instructors. The focus of the program has shifted from technique instruction to water safety. Thanks again to the PAC for supporting this activity.

## February 14 – PJ day, Pizza Day, Valentine’s Day

On Thursday, Feb. 14, we will be celebrating Valentine’s Day with our PAC pizza lunch and a PJ day. Students (and staff) are welcome to wear their pajamas that day for school spirit. Thanks to our PAC and our grade 4/5 spirit group with Jen’s help for making this a special day at North Canoe!

## Soup Day

Students enjoyed another great soup day on January 31. Gr 4/5 students really look forward to the prepping and cooking and all students love the soup! A big thanks to Chelsea and Nadine and our other parent servers.

## Police Information (Criminal Record) Checks

Please continue to spread the word that we need our volunteers to have them.

## Wear Pink Day

On Wednesday, Feb 27, many students and staff will wear pink. Students across Canada show their support for anti-bullying by wearing pink on this day. This is a great opportunity for us to remind our students about the importance of treating others with respect and taking care of each other.

## Contact information

Throughout the year, phone numbers, addresses or other parent information changes. Please remember to let the office know about any changes so we can keep our information up to date. If there are documents that we need to have on file (ex. Custody orders), please ensure we have a copy of those here too.

## Swimming at the pool



On Friday, March 15, all students will be going to the pool to swim! This is a great way to celebrate as a school the hard work all students have done to this point and a nice way to get ready for spring break. We will be at the pool and in the water from 1:00 – 2:00 pm. Students will need to remember to bring their bathing suits and towel. Please bring a bag to carry the items in. According to the Health Act and Provincial Standards, children under 7 need to be supervised by an adult at the ratio of 1 adult / 3 kids.

Any parents who are able to come to the pool and be in the water are encouraged to join us.

## PAC Meeting

Our next PAC meeting is **today** at 2:35 p.m. in the library. Everyone is welcome and babysitting is provided.

## CO-OP Gas Bar

North Canoe has a membership at the CO-OP gas bar. When you fill up, a percentage comes back to the school. If you wish to have your purchase credited to North Canoe’s membership, please mention North Canoe Elementary or the account number **96535** when paying. Proceeds will go toward supporting programs at North Canoe. Thank you for your support!

## Ready Set Learn

Ready, Set Learn is at North Canoe on Monday, March 4 from 1:00 – 2:00 in the library. This is open to any 3, 4 or 5 year olds. Please register with Ang.

## Upcoming events/events at North Canoe....

### FEBRUARY

6	Wednesday	PAC mtg 2:35 pm
8	Friday	Winter Fun Day at Larch Hills – whole school
12	Tuesday	Div 3 to Jungle Mania
13	Wednesday	Staff mtg 2:35 pm
14	Thursday	Pizza Day (PAC), PJ Day (spirit)
15	Friday	Pro-D (Regional)
18	Monday	Family Day (no school)
19	Tuesday	K-3 Swim Lessons 9-10 am
20	Wednesday	Div 3 winter concert
21	Thursday	School-wide multi-grade ADST afternoon
26	Tuesday	K-3 Swim Lessons 9-10 am
27	Wednesday	Recognition Assembly 8:45 am, Pink Shirt Day

### MARCH

4	Monday	Ready Set Learn 1-2 pm in the Library
5	Tuesday	K-3 Swim Lessons 9-10 am
12	Tuesday	K-3 Swim Lessons 9-10 am
13	Wednesday	Recognition Assembly 8:45 am Staff mtg 2:35 pm
14	Thursday	School-wide multi-grade ADST afternoon Talent Show – 6 pm
15	Friday	Last day before March Break Whole school swim - pm

### APRIL

1	Monday	First day back
10	Wednesday	Staff mtg 2:35 pm
15 – 18		Interim report week
18	Thursday	School-wide multi-grade ADST afternoon
19	Friday	Good Friday – students do not attend
22	Monday	Easter Monday – students do not attend
23	Pro-D	Students do not attend
24	Wednesday	Secretaries' Day